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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF FINAL STATUS OF OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:


The Office Action dated August 5, 2003 was made final. The Examiner indicated that Applicants' Amendment necessitated the new grounds of rejection presented in the Office Action. However, it is submitted that at least claims 11, 12, 26 and 27 were rejected on a new ground of rejection that was not necessitated by Applicants' Amendment. In particular, those claims had been found allowable in the Office Action of November 20, 2002 and were only amended to place them in independent form as required to overcome the Examiner's objection. The claims are of the same scope as prior to the Amendment. Thus, the Amendment did not necessitate a new ground of rejection.

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Accordingly, it is requested that the final status of the Office Action dated August 5 be removed.

Respectfully submitted,

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